

A method and system for connecting mobile users to the Internet using cooperative interconnection. A node consists of a network element that has two connection methodologies - typically a node will have a radio link and a wired link to the Internet. To obtain a connection a member of the service locates themselves in proximity to a network node which is commonly provided by another member and the cooperative tunneling agent requests a secure link. All members of the service agree to give connection to the Internet upon request from another member.

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